

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GERMAN REFORMED SYNOD

OF

PENNSYLVANIA & ADJACENT STATES.

HELD AT

**MECHANICKSBURG, CUMBERLAND CO. SEPTEMBER 2nd,
3rd, 4th and 5th, 1832.**

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."—Cor. 3, 17.

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HELD IN THE
UNION CHURCH, MECHANICKSBURG.

PURSUANT to a resolution of Synod last year, at Reamstown, the members of the same convened at Mechanicksburg, Cumberland county, on Sunday, the second day of September, A. D. 1832.

On Sunday morning the Revd. Mr. J. C. Guldin preached in Trindle Spring church, in the German language, from Phil. 3. 8.

At 12 o'clock the same morning, the religious exercises were continued by the Revd. Mr. T. H. Leinbach, from Matth. 5. 26.

At 2 o'clock a sermon was delivered by the Revd. Mr. Porter in the English language, from Eccl. 1. 2, and at 4 o'clock the Revd. Mr. C. L. Daubert preached in the German language, from Heb. 11. 6.

In the evening divine service was performed by the Revd. Mr. G. H. Riemenschneider, in the German language, in the Union church, from Rom. 3. 28, and by the Revd. Mr. Henry Miller in the Methodist church, from James 4. 8.

On the evening preceeding, the Revd. Mr. J. Riemenschneider, jr. preached in the English language, in the Union church, from 2 Chron. 32. 24, 25.

On Monday Morning

The members of the Synod, who were in attendance, met in the Union church for the purpose of organizing and proceeding to business.—In consequence of the absence of the Revd. Mr. F. L. Herman, President of the Synod, the meeting was opened with prayer by the Revd. Mr. J. C. Guldin, Secretary, and by singing an appropriate hymn.—

When it appeared that the following members were present.

Ministers :

Revd. J. C. Guldin,
— T. H. Leinbach,
— A. L. Herman,
— S. Seibert,
— J. Steely,
— F. E. Von der Sloom,
— F. W. Von der Sloom,
— Abraham Berky,
— J. Althouse,
— J. S. Ebach,

Candidates present :

Revd. L. R. Porter.
— L. C. B. Herman,
— C. L. Daubert,
— H. Miller,
— William Smitmer,

Ministers absent :

Revd. F. L. Herman,
— H. Bibighaus,
— C. G. Herman,
— J. S. Dubs,
— G. Mills,
— R. T. Herman,
— D. Tobias,
— A. Schæfer,
— C. W. Wack,

Elders :

Mr. Peter Killinger,
— George Miller,
— John P. Helfenstein,
— Jacob Stickel,
— Matth. Soliday,

Applicants present :

Revd. G. Riemenschneider,
— D. Hassinger,
— Chn. Winebrenner,
— J. J. Riemenschneider,
— H. W. Lower,
Dr. de Quenaudon,

Candidate absent :

Mr. G. Eppert,

Applicant absent :

Mr. Joseph Carter.

On motion *resolved*, that the session now proceed to the choice of a President, Secretary and Treasurer for the present year.—When the following persons were duly elected and took their seats :

Revd. J. C. GULDIN, *President*,
 — A. L. HERMAN, *Secretary*,
 Mr. G. KEMP, *Treasurer*.

On motion *resolved*, that the Revd. Mr. L. Hinsh, C. Helfenstine and G. H. Riemenschneider be invited to take seats in the Synod as advisory members.—At the same time the Revd. Mr. Keller, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran church at Mechanicksburg was invited to a seat in the Synod as an advisory member.

The Constitution of Synod having been read by the President, the ministers were respectively requested to inform Synod of the state of religion in their congregations and of their ministerial labours and transactions. — Wherefore in accordance to a resolution, adopted at Reamstown, at the last annual meeting of Synod, the brethren individually presented and read a written account of the ministerial transactions and the state of religion in their congregations, which they prefaced with some explanatory, pertinent and interesting remarks.—From all which statements it appeared that the cause of religion was flourishing and the interests of the Redeemers Kingdom steadily and prosperously advancing in their respective charges, and that the benign doctrine of the Christian religion had been preached in all its purity and truth—and in a way to convince the impartial, candid, anxious and humble enquirer after truth, that “the ways of religion are ways of pleasantness, & that all her paths are paths of peace,” and that the only object of the brethren was the salvation of immortal souls—and notwithstanding the slanders of some, and the open and determined persecutions of others, they had persevered in discharging their duty, knowing that persecution must arise, and that in the cause of Christ they were called upon to endure all things.—They trusted in God and were enabled

by his grace, strengthening them, to endure the scoffs of the licentious, the revilings of the bigot and the hostility of the open and avowed enemies of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. — They shrunk not from the great work committed to their charge and by keeping the eye of faith steadily fixed upon that bright, glorious and never fading inheritance, promised to those who win souls to Christ, they were enabled to plead for their enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and to persevere in praying for the advancement of the kingdom of God.

The Revd. Mr. Gottwalts of Gettysburg, and the Revd. Mr. G. Dreisbach, a Moravian minister, were invited to take seats as advisory members.

On motion the minutes of the Synod of last year were read, from which it appeared that the directions and resolutions contained therein had been carried into effect, *viz.*

1. That the Secretary had transmitted copies of the proceedings of Synod to all other Synods entertaining friendly feelings towards us.

2. That the Revd. Mr. Ebach had procured the necessary alterations to be made upon the Seal, and sent it to the Revd. President of the Synod.

3. That the President and Secretary had given Mr. Clark his dismissal from this body.

The following committees were appointed by the President.

- I. A committee to examine the written reports upon the state of religion and to report thereon. The following gentlemen compose said committee :

J. S. Ebach,
F. W. Von der Sloot,
A. Berky,
J. S. Helfenstine.

II. A committee to examine the letters received by this Synod and to report thereon :

T. H. Leinbach,
C. W. Shultz,
C. L. Daubert,
G. Miller.

III. A committee to examine the diaries of the Candidates and to report thereon :

F. E. Von der Sloot,
Jacob Stickel,
A. L. Herman.

The Revd. Mr. Zacharias, of Harrisburg, was invited to take a seat as an advisory member.

On motion the Synod adjourned after prayer & singing, to meet again at 2 o'clock P. M.

Afternoon at 2 o'clock,

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment and opened their session with praying and singing.

A communication from the Revd. Mr. L. Hinsh, C. Helfenstine and C. Bernets, members of the General Synod, was presented by themselves and read, requesting and praying that measures might be adopted for the purpose of effecting a union. The consideration and determination of which, after some discussion, were postponed until next session.

The report of the committee of correspondence was presented and read, viz.

1. A letter from the Revd. Mr. Bibighaus, of Philadelphia, in which he states and regrets his inability to attend Synod and assigns the reasons which prevented him from

attending. He prays to be excused in consequence of the recent and afflictive visitation of the Cholera and his reluctance to leave his congregation in the midst of danger, disease and death. He also furnishes a satisfactory account of his ministerial labours and of the state of religion in his congregations. He also politely invites the Synod to hold their next Synod in his church in Philadelphia. He respectfully suggested that the Synod would recommend the 13th day of September, A. D. 1832, as a day of humiliation and prayer.—And lastly he implores the blessing of Almighty God to rest upon the deliberations of the Synod.

2. Letters have been laid before us recommending in the strongest and most expressive manner the reception of Mr. Christian Winebrenner, of Bedford county, in this Synod. We are of the opinion that Mr. Winebrenner shall be examined and if found proficient receive the license of a candidate.

3. Highly satisfactory recommendations for the reception of Mr. J. J. Riemenschneider into this Synod, upon which we cordially recommend him to Synod for examination.

4. A letter of the Revd. Mr. Mills, of New-York, praying to be excused from attendance upon Synod, and assigning as a reason the ravages of the Cholera in his congregations.

5. A letter of the congregation of Revd. Mr. Mills, of New-York, approving of his ministerial labours and highly complimentary to the character and conduct of their pastor and that he has been instrumental in doing much good in their church.

6. That the Revd. Mr. G. H. Riemenschneider had made application for membership in this Synod, in which he was strongly supported by a powerful and affectionate recommendation from his congregation, wishing that their minister should unite with this Synod, believing it to be a body in which love, order and impartiality dwelt. We therefore

respectfully recommend it to the grave and serious consideration of the Synod.

S. H. Leinbach,
C. L. Daubert,
H. Miller,
C. W. Shultz.

Resolved, that the Revd. Mr. Bibighaus be excused for not attending.

Resolved, that the 13th day of September, A. D. 1832, be appointed as a day of humiliation and prayer.

Resolved, after different recommendations from Huntingdon and Bedford counties had been read in favor of Mr. Winebrenner, and after being highly recommended by the Revd. Mr. Bernets, that he be examined and if found competent receive license of a candidate.

Resolved, that the Revd. Mr. Mills be excused.

Resolved, that Mr. J. J. Riemenschneider be examined.

The following brethren were appointed to examine Mr. Christian Winebrenner and J. J. Riemenschneider :

J. S. Ebach,
F. E. Von der Slaat,
E. W. Shultz,
A. L. Herman.

Resolved, that the Revd. Mr. G. H. Riemenschneider be received as a member of the Synod.

Resolved, that the session now close for this afternoon.

Singing and prayer closed the session.

This evening the Revd. Mr. Shultz preached from Psalm 50, 21.

On Tuesday morning the brethren assembled at their usual place of meeting at sunrise, for the purpose of uniting fervently in prayer to God for a blessing upon their deliber-

ations and proceedings, and for an outpouring of the Spirit of God upon them and the world at large.

THIRD SESSION.

Tuesday Morning at 8 o'clock.

The Synod was opened with prayer and singing.

The Synod went into the open consideration of the communication from the Revd. Messrs. Helfenstine, Hinch and Bernets, which had been previously laid before Synod and postponed until this day.

The communication having been again read and under consideration, the brethren after some debate upon the subject, struck out the word Union, and substituted in place thereof the words: "brotherly understanding," whereupon it was unanimously *resolved*, that the communication should be recorded on the minutes and that the request contained therein, should be acceded to, and that as an evidence of our brotherly love & christian feelings towards the brethren, the secretary should be directed to send their Synod 20 copies of the proceedings of this Synod.

A letter of the Revd. Mr. Mills, of New-York, was presented, enclosing a letter of Mr. Joseph Carter, of the same place, which was read, requesting to be received as a member of this Synod.

When on motion it was *resolved*, that the Synod could not, in the absence of Mr. Carter, act upon the subject of his letter, but would recommend to him to make application to the President of the Synod, who would, if he were found upon examination proficient and competent, grant him a candidates license until next Synod.

Application was made for the admission and reception of H. W. Lower into this Synod.—Mr. Lower had studied

in Europe and laid before Synod good and strong recommendations.

Application was also made for the examination of Dr. de Quenaudon, (who had received a liberal & classical education in Europe, and who has devoted a short time to the study of Theology in this country,) and for permission to be granted him by Synod, if found competent, to preach upon special invitations given him.

On motion *resolved*, that the following brethren be appointed a committee to examine Mr. Lower and de Quenaudon and report thereon, *viz.*

J. C. Guldin,
G. H. Riemenschneider,
S. Seibert,
Michael Soliday.

On motion *resolved*, that Revd. Mr. Walborn be received as an advisory member.

Brother T. H. Leinbach made application for the reception of the Revd. Mr. Hassinger in this Synod—Revd. Hassinger now laid before the Synod his recommendations.

On motion *resolved*, that the application and recommendations of Revd. Hassinger be referred to a committee to examine and report thereon :

G. H. Riemenschneider,
T. H. Leinbach,
C. W. Schultz,
A. Berky,
C. L. Daubert,
J. Stickel,
M. Soliday,
G. Miller.

Mr. Reitzel, of Carlisle, laid before Synod proposals for the republication of Zollikoffers Prayer Book, and soliciting

the recommendation of Synod in favour thereof—whereupon it was *resolved*, that the republication of this valuable work, which ought to be in possession of every Christian family, meets with the cordial approbation of Synod, and that it be recommended in our acts and that we will use all efforts in our power to promote its extensive circulation.

Brother A. L. Herman made application to Synod to excuse the attendance of Revd. F. W. Von der Sloot during the remainder of the session, in consequence of family afflictions.

Brother C. W. Shultz proposed that Synod should join with the Presbyterian church, and recommending to all churches under its care to observe the first Monday in January, A. D. 1833, as a day of humiliation and prayer.—Synod acceded to the proposition and directed, that the Secretary should send 20 copies of the proceedings of this Synod, to the next General Assembly of the Presbyterian church.

Synod adjourned after prayer and singing.

FOURTH SESSION.

Afternoon 2 oclock.

Synod was opened with prayer and singing.

A letter from the vestry and members of the Salems church at Huntingdon, was presented and read, preferring complaints against Revd. W. Smitmer, stating that they considered him no longer a member of the church to which he professed to belong, having been baptized by the Revd. Mr. Winebrenner, of Harrisburg, and recalling their former recommendations in his favour, and that they considered him their pastor no longer.

This communication was the subject of much anxiety and sorrow to Synod, as Mr. Smitmer had by his conduct de-

parted from the doctrines and established rules and regulations of the Reformed church and could no longer, under these circumstances, be considered or received as a member of the Reformed Synod.—After much debate upon the subject and after due deliberation and consideration in all Christian love and charity, it was determined that Mr. W. Smitmer should be requested to ask for dismissal from the Synod—which was done accordingly with much reluctance by Mr. Smitmer.—Therefore *resolved*, that the request of Mr. Smitmer for dismissal from the Synod be granted, and that he has the prayers and best wishes of Synod for his health and happiness, and that they cordially recommend him to any other Society of Christians whose views of the doctrines of the Christian religion and of faith and practice are in accordance with his own.

The committee appointed to examine Messrs. Lower and de Quenaudon reported they had performed the duty assigned to them, and that they found Mr. Lower, upon examination, to be well grounded in classical knowledge and well read and acquainted with the doctrines of the Christian religion, and they therefore recommend that Synod grant him a candidates license. They further reported, that they had examined Dr. de Quenaudon and taken into consideration his application and are of the opinion that his request may be granted and that he be placed under the care of Revd. A. L. Herman, and that under his directions he shall pursue the study of divinity, with the view of preparing for the Gospel Ministry.

Revd. Mr. A. Berky appeared before the Synod and requested permission to establish Sunday Schools in the congregations of this body.—When it was *resolved*, that the request of brother Berky be granted, and that we will cooperate with him in the establishment of Sunday Schools wherever they may be requested,

The committee appointed to examine Messrs. C. Winebrenner and J. J. Riemenschneider, reported, that the education of Mr. Winebrenner did not qualify him to stand

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an examination, but that they had taken the circumstances of his case into consideration, and as Providence had cast his lot in such a part of his vineyard, where the talents that had been committed to him were duly appreciated and acknowledged ; and it appears to the committee, from the various and highly respectable recommendations in his favour, that he enjoys the love and affection of his congregations, and that believing that he would be an instrument in the hands of God of much good, they therefore recommend him to the Synod for Candidate license, to next Synod.—In reference to Revd. J. J. Riemenschneider, the committee reported, that they had examined him in Theology, Church history, logic and experience in religion, and that they have found him in all the various branches so qualified, that they recommend him to Candidate license.

E. S. Ebach.
F. E. Von der Sloot,
A. L. Herman,

Accepted.

Revd. Mr. R. Porter, in accordance to the desire and request of his congregations, in Cumberland county, asks Synod to renew his license.—*Resolved*, that the request and desire of Revd. Porter be granted.

The Revd. C. L. Daubert, who had been under license for several years, begs for ordination.

Resolved, that Revd. Daubert, as soon as he has a regular call of a congregation, be ordained in the same, and that the following brethren be appointed a committee, to perform that solemn ordination.

E. S. Ebach,
F. E. Von der Sloot,
A. L. Herman.

On request of Revd. L. C. B. Herman, *resolved*, that his license be renewed.

Also on request of Revd. Henry Miller, *resolved*, that his license be renewed to next Synod.

The following committee was appointed to adjust the accounts of the Treasurer.

J. Steely,
L. R. Porter.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by the Revd. H. Miller und unanimously adopted :

Whereas, the present number of well educated Clergymen is inadequate to the exigency of the times.

Whereas, the increase of the population of our country, and the progress of christianity throughout the world, call for an accession of Ministers of the Gospel ; And

Whereas, there are young men of undoubted piety and talents, who desire to enter the ministry but have not the means of obtaining an education, Therefore

Resolved, that as soon as practicable, we will establish a School of learning on the manual labour or self supporting system—to be under the control of a Board of Directors, to be appointed annually by the Synod of the German Reformed Church of Pennsylvania and the adjoining States, where young men who are aspiring to the Ministry and others who are piously disposed, may obtain a liberal education, and have the opportunity of pursuing some mechanical occupation a part of the time, by which they may defray their expenses and preserve and promote their bodily health—to the promotion of which object, a friend in Cumberland county has most liberally offered 250 acres of Land.

The session was closed by singing and prayer. This evening Revd. Lower discoursed from Phillip. 3, 8.

On wednesday morning the brethren assembled at an early hour and commenced the day by solemn invocation for a blessing and guidance of heaven upon the transactions & proceedings of Synod. At 8 o'clock the Synod met and opened the

FIFTH SESSION,

by prayer and singing.

The committee on the state of religion, presented and read a highly satisfactory report to the Synod, stating that in a majority of the congregations under the care of the Synod, the cause of religion during the last year had been advancing, and that the doctrine of the Gospel of Christ was in a flourishing condition, and that the written reports submitted to them, confirmed the verbal reports given by the brethren.

The committee appointed to examine and investigate and report upon the request of Revd. D. Hassinger, asking to be received into this Synod, together with the accompanying recommendations presented by himself, reported, that they performed the duty assigned to them, and that Revd. Hassinger was in every respect amply qualified as a pious humble christian and student to be received into this body, and to be accepted as a brother in the labours of love to redeem dying fellow men; wherefore a blessing was asked upon him and his future labours. The President then called upon persons present, who resided in the neighbourhood of Revd. D. Hassinger and were acquainted with him, to state any objections or prefer any charges within their knowledge, if such existed, against the reception of Revd. D. Hassinger, and it appeared that no objections were made or charges preferred against him, the Synod concurred in the report of the committee, and Revd. Mr. Hassinger was received into the Synod as a member.

The attention of the Synod was called to the all important and momentous subject of intemperance and its growing & desolating evils, the life and soul destroying tendency of this curse to our happy land, was duly and most feelingly considered and deplored—whereupon it was

Resolved, that it be the solemn and imperious duty of every member of this body to use every effort in his power, to bring into disgrace the practice of habitual drinking, and to expel for ever by precept and example, the use of ardent spirits from his congregations.

The Revd. Mr. Porter represented and stated the wishes of several congregations in Luzerne and Lycoming counties, praying that a minister might be delegated from this body to preach the Gospel to them.

Resolved, that each Minister of this Synod be recommended and advised, to give a portion of his time to these destitute congregations, and that he perform all the duties of his office in the spirit of affection and brotherly love.

The Secretary reported, that a letter had been received from the Revd. Charles Wack within the last year, addressed to the President and himself, stating that he had accepted a call from a congregation in Ithica, in the state of New-York, and that the congregation was attached to the Dutch Reformed Synod and that he was therefore in duty bound to attend that Synod, and that he wished to receive a certificate of his regular standing in the Synod, together with a regular dismission from this body and recommendation therefrom. That not feeling themselves authorised to grant him a regular dismission as asked for, without the consent of Synod, they had forwarded to him a certificate of his regular standing as an ordained Minister in this Synod, and stating that his request for dismission should be submitted to Synod at the next meeting,—whereupon it was

Resolved, that the request of the Revd. Charles Wack is right and proper, and that a regular dismission from this Synod be forwarded to him.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer, reported, that they performed that duty and found the accounts of that officer perfectly and correctly kept.

J. Steely,
R. Porter.

The committee appointed to investigate and advise upon the diaries of the candidates, reported, that they found them in accordance with the great and established doctrines of the christian Church.

F. E. Von der Sloom,
J. Stickel,
A. L. Herman.

Resolved, that the money collected during the meeting of Synod, be appropriated to defray the expenses of printing the proceedings of the Synod.

A letter from a certain Dr. Hoffman, of Huntingdon, of similar tenour and purport to one he directed to Synod at their meeting at Reamstown, upon the subject of Masonry was presented and read,—whereupon it was

Resolved, that the writer should turn to the resolution adopted at Reamstown last year, for the determination of Synod upon the subject of his letter.

Resolved, that the proceedings of this Synod be published, and that the Secretary be appointed to have 400 copies printed in german and 200 in english.

Resolved, that the Secretary be directed to send copies of our proceedings to all Synods who entertain friendly feelings towards this Synod.

Resolved, that 20 copies of the proceedings of Synod be transmitted to the West-Pennsylvania Lutheran synod, as a mark of respect which we entertain for them and for their attendance at the present Synod.

The following towns and city were offered for the session of Synod of next year: Philadelphia, Bloomsburg, Shaefferstown, Hummelstown and Salems church a congregation of Brother Steely. After the votes were counted, it appeared that Shaefferstown, in Lebanon county had a majority.

Resolved, that if Providence so ordered, the next session of Synod be held at Shaefferstown, in Lebanon county, on the first Sabbath in September, A. D. 1833.

The brethren now presented their status ecclesiæ.

Resolved, that divine service be held this evening, and that the services be conducted by the Revd. A. Berky, and that he, in behalf of the members of the Synod, return our sincere and hearty thanks to the congregation, the inhabitants of Mechanicksburg and its vicinity, for the kindness and hospitality extended towards them during the session of Synod.

Resolved, that Synod adjourn for the present year.

Whereupon the brethren united in singing a Hymn of praise to God, and after a fervent and affectionate prayer from the President, the members separated.

This evening Revd. A. Berky preached from John 10. 12—15.

The Secretary begs leave to state, that he had not intended to give his English readers a literal translation of the proceedings of Synod as he has set forth in the printed German copies. The translation however is in substance correct and true.

And now may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with his Church—Amen.

A. L. Herman,

h. t. Secretary.

MINISTERIAL TRANSACTIONS		Congregats.	Baptized	Confirmed	Communie.	Deaths	Schools
Names of MINISTERS	Names & places of CONGREGATIONS						
F. L. Herman	Swamp in New - Han- over, Pottstown* in Pottsgrove township, Montgomery county, Boyer's in Colebrook- dale, Hill in Earl, Am- ity in Amity township, Berks county	5	—	—	—	—	—
C. G. Herman	Cootstown,* Delong & Zion in Maxatawny, Hereford in Hereford, Peters in Richmond, Dunkel's in Green- wich, and Friedens in Oley, all in Berks county	7	264	96	717	32	11
J. C. Guldin	Vincent* in Vincent, Neyen in East - Nant- meal, Braunbachs in Coventry township, Chester co. Trapp in Upper - Providence, Montgomery county, Allegheny in Cumru, Berks county, and Centre in Caernarvon township, Lancaster county	6	62	47	367	23	—
J. S. Dubs	Allentown,* Egypt, Jordan and Union, all in Lehigh county	4	120	145	835	33	4
H. Bibighaus	Salems in Philadel- phia,* and Frankfort in Frankfort	2	—	—	—	—	—

Those places marked with a * denote the most convenient Post-Office.

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Names of MINISTERS	Names & places of CONGREGATIONS						
T. H. Leinbach	Tulpehocken, near Meyerstown,* Shaf- erstown St. Jacobs in Lebanon county, Reamstown & Swamp in Lancaster county, Northkill, Mueblbach in Berks co.	7	180	52	555	45	6
A. L. Herman	All near Reading,* in Berks county	8	234	74	534	48	11
J. F. Steely	Mahantango,* Schuyl- kill county	6	—	—	—	—	—
D. Tobias	Bloomsburg,* Cum- berland county	8	94	17	315	14	4
J. Althaus	In Armstrong co.	4	—	—	—	—	—
R. T. Herman	No report	3	—	—	—	—	—
A. Shafer	Lynnville,* Lehigh co	2	52	6	28	11	1
A. Berky	Lewistown,* &c.	5	26	23	117	7	8
S. Seibert	Middletown,* Hum- melstown and Hill in Dauphin co. Bindna- gles in Lebanon co Lewistown and Mash in York county	6	35	24	124	28	—
C. W. Shultz	City Missionary in a Kensington* district	—	—	—	—	—	—
F. E. Von der Sloot	Mechanicksburg,* Fei- lys, Petersburg, Berns & Churchtown in Cum- berland co. &c.	8	207	41	467	51	11
J. S. Ebach	Zions in Carlisle,* Sa- lems in Frankfort town- ship, Sulphur Springs in North - Middleton township, Egis Springs in South - Middleton township, Cumberland county	4	50	—	420	25	4

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Names of MINISTERS	Names and places of CONGREGATIONS	Congregats.	Baptized	Confirmed	Communi.	Deaths	Schools
G. Mills	No Report	1	—	—	—	—	—
F. W. Von der Sfoot	Stahlys in York co.	1	23	—	52	8	1
L. C. B. Herman		—	14	—	—	9	—
C. L. Daubert	No report	3	—	—	—	—	—
G. Miller	No report	—	—	—	—	—	—
L. R. Porter	Luzerne co. Peach- grove P O.	—	—	—	—	—	—
D. Hassinger	Orwigsburg,* Schuyl. kill county	1	—	—	—	—	—
G. Riemenschneider	Pendleton county, Vir- ginia	4	—	—	—	—	—
J. Riemenschneider		—	—	—	—	—	—
C. Weinbrenner	Bedford county, Mar- tinsburg	6	—	—	—	—	—
G. Eppert	No report	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dr. de Quenaudon	No report	—	—	—	—	—	—
L. C. Louer	No report	—	—	—	—	—	—

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Trindel springs church per Mr. F E Von der Sloom \$10 00

Mr. J. C. Guldin	:	:	:	:	5 00
— T. H. Leinbach	:	:	:	:	7 00
— J. Ebach	:	:	:	:	5 00
— A. L. Herman	:	:	:	:	5 00
— J. Steely	:	:	:	:	2 00
— L. C. B. Herman	:	:	:	:	1 50
— C. W. Shultz	:	:	:	:	1 00
— L. R. Porter	:	:	:	:	1 00
— C. L. Daubert	:	:	:	:	1 00
— A. Berky	:	:	:	:	1 00
— Henry Miller	:	:	:	:	1 00
— S. Seibert	:	:	:	:	1 00
— Dr. de Quenaudon	:	:	:	:	1 00
— S. Smitmer	:	:	:	:	50
— C. Weinbrenner	:	:	:	:	50
— Nicodemus	:	:	:	:	50
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